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EDITORIAL.

That the "Unspeakable Turks" should put up such a stubborn as well as skillful resistance to the capture of Constantinople by the Allies must be quite galling to the proud Aryan race.

The refusal of the Nebraska legislature while endorsing President Wilson to also endorse Secretary Bryan may be explained upon the theory that grape juice is not a popular drink at Lincoln.

Rev. W. A. Fountain, president of Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga., is being accused of graft, nepotism, neglect of duty, usurpation of authority and inordinate ambition, but it is thought that he is all right otherwise.

The election of Hon. Oscar De Priest of Chicago to membership in the city council shows what Negroes are able to accomplish when they act together for their common good. This is a new event in Chicago politics.

To the great disappointment of those who like to see but one side of a subject it is found that the laws which were so hurriedly passed to prohibit the Johnson-Jeffries fight pictures will also prohibit the Willard-Johnson pictures with their delightful Aryan finale.

It is argued by some people that a glaring inconsistency is shown by the ladies social clubs which so persistently urge the sale of tickets to their pay affairs and are so exclusive in their formal events. Why not raise the price of tickets and confine the sale to persons on the invitation lists.

Perhaps those boys who play such good baseball games out on the parade on Sunday afternoons cannot afford uniform suits but it is hard to believe that they cannot at least clean up and make a more decent showing. Everybody loves baseball but a lack of reasonable pride in its presentation takes away a great deal of the enjoyment.

In the death of Col. W. R. Nelson, editor of the Star, American newspaper loses one of its most forcible characters. From a literary and news standpoint the Nelson papers rank in a very select circle and this fact is acknowledged the world over. The Star is not always right and it is not always fair but under Col. Nelson it wielded a remarkable influence in politics and social life.

The many friends of Dr. C. Elias Winston, founder and manager of the New Church Improvement Bureau, 1713 E. 18th street are proud to learn of the successful work that he is doing in Columbia, Mo., in a campaign against sin for Rev. C. W. Newton the able and efficient pastor of the A. M. E. church of that city having also the united support of the different churches and their pastors in the effort. Dr. Winston is a strong, vigorous and aggressive preacher and will doubtless do much good for the Master's cause with benefit to all the Churches there.

EASTER SERMON

SUBJECT, "IMMORTALITY THE GREAT HOPE"

(The following sermon delivered Sunday, April 4, 1915, by Dr. W. H. Thomas, D. D., pastor of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church, Kansas City, Mo., was stenographically reported by Misses Susie R. Goodwin, Myrtle L. Brown, Edith C. Strison and Edythe E. Thompson, students of the Commercial Department at Western University, Quindaro, Kas.)

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The message of the hour is based upon the words which are found in the book of Job, fourteenth chapter and fourteenth verse. "If a man die, shall he live again?" Our subject is "Immortality the Great Hope." "If a man die, shall he live again?" Can the tomb be broken? Is it all of life to live? Does death end all? Is there no life beyond the grave? Was the Sadducee correct in his sneer at the teachings of Jesus when he said: "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we die." If there was no Easter, we would say yes, but the message of Easter is now, has Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept. I will show you the glory of Greece, said an ancient to his friend, and so saying he took him to Solon, the Spartan law given. And is this all, asked the man? Yes, replied the ancient, for when thou hast seen Solon, thou hast seen all. Solon made Greece what he thought Greece became. He was a typical Grecian. Christ is Christianity.

In his inspired sermon the Apostle Paul says, I will show you Christ risen, then, I will show you the Christian victor in the grave. Then, I will show you the Christian victor through Christ. He who sees Solon sees Greece. He who sees Christ sees Christianity and all the glorious hope of immortality which Christ brings to the human race. "If a man die, shall he live again?" Easter answers this question in the affirmative.



PROF. J. H. FOSTER

the capable and efficient instructor in stenography, bookkeeping and type writing at Western University, through whose kindness we are permitted to obtain stenographic reports of the sermons of various prominent ministers.

If in our hymn books following the passion songs, there was no Easter hymns; if in our new testaments following the history of Christ's suffering there was no Easter gospel; if in our churches following lent there was no Easter festival, then our condition would be sad indeed, and our entire Christian life would be like a dark night without the morning dawn; a heart rending discord without an appeasing final cord. But today, where there are bells to ring, choirs to sing, lips to praise and hearts to rejoice, there the Easter story is being told. Now, is Christ risen from the dead and has become the first fruits of them that slept.

In order to know that our Lord really did rise from the dead, we must establish beyond a shadow of a doubt that, he whom they took down from the cross on Good Friday, was really dead. Perhaps, simply perhaps, he merely fainted or swooned away, then there was no resurrection for he simply recovered consciousness after an interval, but the evangelists, each one of them expressly state that he had died and the wonder is not that he died after hanging on that cross for three hours. But the wonder, the great wonder is that he lived so long after being cruelly tried by those soldiers and the populace at large. Suppose, simply suppose that he did not die; would he have survived the lance which was driven into his side by the Roman soldiers? Out of that wound there flowed what blood there yet remained in his heart.

We are told that when the soldiers came to the cross they did not break his limbs. They broke the limbs of the two thieves, for they were not dead, but when they came to Jesus they did not break his limbs for he was dead already. Surely these agents of the Roman government would have established beyond a shadow of a doubt that he was dead ere they took him down from that cross. But suppose simply, for argument sake that he had not died. He would have been suffocated by the embalming process to which Joseph of Aramathia and they rubbed over his body 100 pounds of aloes and then they bound bandages about his limbs, his hands, his body, his head, and laid him in the tomb.

The apostles had no hint of Easter on Good Friday. It looked indeed, as if his work had ended and his career was finished and that he himself was gone, gone out of their lives, gone into death, gone into the grave, gone forever as far as sense could tell; but on the morning of the third day he arose and the faithful women who went early to the sepulchre to anoint his body with sweet spices, found the tomb empty, and an angel stood there and invited them to "come and see the place where the Lord lay," and then commanded them to "go and tell His disciples and Peter," that he went before the mighty Galilee. Since then,

the Church has kept Easter in remembrance of him who said, "I was dead, but I am alive and I have the keys of hell and of death." "If a man die, shall he live again?"

Some one tells the story of an infidel German princess, who commanded that at her death her grave was to be covered with a huge granite stone and around that stone there was to be placed solid blocks of stones bound together by iron clasps, and on that huge granite stone covering the grave was to be written these words: "This the burial place purchased to all eternity is never to be opened." Thus did that German princess publish to the world that she did not believe in the resurrection of the dead; but by chance, three was buried with that German princess, a little tiny seed, a simple acorn which grew. It germinated and it sent upward its shoots which penetrated between the rock. Silently, slowly, surely, the oak grew. It pushed aside the huge granite stone. It burst asunder the iron clasps. It burst upward, a tall, stately and majestic oak, and that tree grows there today, a veritable tree of life.

In every grave on earth's green sward there is buried a seed of the resurrected life of Jesus Christ, which cannot be destroyed; for all that are in their graves shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and shall come forth, they that have done good unto the resurrection of eternal life and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of eternal damnation. "If a man die, shall he live again?"

Science affirms the fact of immortality by its laws concerning the indestructibility of matter and the conservation of force not a particle of matter has ever been lost nor has the original force of the world diminished. A naturalist finds a fossil 500 feet below the surface of the earth. He brings it to light, he examines it and says that animal once lived on the surface of the earth. How does he know? Why, there are sockets there for the eyes and nature never makes anything in vain. It must have lived where the light was, and the world calls that logic. Now, in man we find a yearning, a hope for immortality; and can it be true that the God who made water for the web-foot, and beauty for the eye is neglectful of the soul of man. Reason says, I will build an argument on human love. The logic of love will not allow a man to conclude that his loved ones go out of existence forever.

Since last Easter, many here have lost loved ones. The air is filled with farewells for the dying and mourning for the dead. How many here, this Easter morning are longing for the touch of the vanished hand and the sound of a voice that is still? Love thinks of the loved ones somewhere. Love in the person of David as he looks into the dear dead face of his little child, says "He shall not return to me, but I shall go to him." Love in the person of Robert Browning, as he stood by his dead love, Execlyn Hope, places a flower in her hand and says: "You will wake and remember and understand." Yes, the doctrine of immortality is the best explanation of unfinished lives, of the man, of the woman who is cut down in the very midst of their usefulness. How many lives are broken off like a column in the midst? Are such lives fragmentary, are they a failure? No, not in the light of immortality but in another world, in a large sphere and on a vaster scale the high ideals and plans conceived of here shall be wrought to a glorious perfection. The life beyond the grave is a reassurance to those who are doomed to crosses and fetters and infirmities here. How hard and unfair the lot of man if there be no hereafter. God has made these children of sorrow but for to suffer. Yes, justice as well as love, demands a continuance of life beyond the grave. There fettered minds will be freed. Broken hearts will be healed and maimed bodies will be made perfect. "If a man die, shall he live again?" Yes, Christ is the master of the grave. Christ and death measured lances.

Outside of the village of Nain, a widow is about to bury her only son. The air is filled with mourning and farewells. Christ approaches; he touches the bier, he speaks to the young man and says, "I say unto thee arise," and he that was dead comes back to life again. Yes, Christ is here this Easter morning to repeat that same miracle and to those who are dead, dead in trespasses and sins, the Easter Christ stands ready to meet you and to release you from your fetters by saying, young man, young woman, I say unto thee, arise.

Just twenty-five years ago today, when but a mere youth, on a glad Easter day, I met with the Easter Christ. He spoke to me and I entered in on the new life, and the same Christ, the same Easter Christ, who met me in my far eastern home is here this morning to meet some man, some woman, who is dead in trespasses and sins. He says young man, young woman, I say unto thee, arise. He is here to meet with others who like the apostles have forsaken him, and who like Peter, have denied him, and possibly, like Judas have betrayed him, but the Easter Christ meets you in the way he speaks to you. His message is "arise, arise."

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Health Hints

By Dr. Lloyd E. Bailer

A weekly discussion of Hygiene and Sanitation, First Aid Measures and Preventive Medicine. Questions will be answered but no diagnoses nor prescriptions will be given in this column.

ON SUNLIGHT.

It is astonishing how few people there are who properly estimate the hygienic value of the sun's rays. A valuable lesson on this point may be learned by observing the lower animals, none of which ever neglect an opportunity to bask in the sun. And the nearer man approaches to his primitive condition the more he is inclined to follow the example of animals. It is a natural instinct which civilization has partially destroyed in the human race.

Sunlight is essential to life. If by some terrible catastrophe the sun was suddenly extinguished it is impossible to conceive the misery that would follow. In the event of such a fearful calamity it would require but a very short time to depopulate the earth. It is questionable whether defective lighting is not productive of as much physical deterioration in the crowded tenement districts as defective ventilation. Certainly it is only secondary in degree. Sunlight is as free as it is necessary, and why human beings endowed with reason should attempt to exclude it from their dwellings is a thing which passes comprehension. "Let there be light" is as imperative now as when the fiat went forth at the dawn of creation.

We should not be afraid to let the sunlight penetrate our dwellings, especially the morning sun. Thrifty housewives are prone to regard the action of the sun's rays on their interior decorations as disastrous in the extreme, but its exclusion from their dwellings is far more disastrous to the health of the inmates. There is, of course, a happy medium in all things, and therefore, it is not necessary to have the sun's rays streaming in every door and window during the whole day; but the entire dwelling should be, as far as possible, thrown open to the health giving beams of the sun for an hour in the morning. This will, at the same time, thoroughly ventilate the dwelling.

It has been shown by exact researches that the sun's rays kill bacteria, and statistics have shown that in sunny weather there are fewer infectious diseases, like influenza, than

in dull weather. The large number of cloudy days during the present season has probably been responsible for the large number of cases of la grip in this community.

Sunshine exercises a wonderful influence over our mental condition. We often notice that on days when there is no sunshine, especially when, at the same time, it is cold and damp, we feel depressed in spirit. On sunny days, however, we feel better able to work and to take outdoor exercise. Particularly in old age is sunshine precious. We see our old house dog or cat lying in the sunshine and taking a sun bath. In the same way instinct tells old people that the sun is good for them and thus they eagerly watch for it to shine and like to sit in it, especially on cold days.

The effect of sunlight is not merely to warm and raise the heat of the body; its rays have chemical and electric functions also. When we are exposed to the sunlight for a long time and get an inflamed skin, this is due mainly to the chemical rays. The relief which strong sunlight affords is neuralgic and inflammatory pain is due, likewise, to its chemical action.

The ancient Romans made use of the healing action of sunshine and many of them took sunbaths on the roofs of their houses. There were also public sun baths much visited by the population.

Exposure to the sun for a certain length of time causes dilation of the blood vessels, and later on, abundant perspiration. This not only stimulates the skin but relieves the kidneys. The quality of the blood is also improved by the action of sunlight upon the body.

Not only persons in good health but particularly those suffering from nervous diseases and insomnia, rheumatism, and the chilliness which is the result of sluggish circulation, will be greatly benefited by frequent sun baths.

Sunshine is a finer stimulus than wine, electricity or massage, and notwithstanding the high estimate we have learned to place upon its rejuvenating and healing powers, we are even now on the verge of greater discoveries concerning it.

MARYVILLE, MO.

The Ladies Embroidery Club had its weekly meeting at Mrs. Alfred Allen's residence. The ladies are doing some fine work. We wish them success....The Missionary Circle was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Jackson last Wednesday evening. A pleasant time was reported....The Pansy Art Club held its weekly meeting at the residence of Mrs. C. C. Baker. This is one of the organizations that should be complimented. It is composed of school children under the supervision of Mrs. C. C. Baker. We look for great work from them judging from what they have done in the past....Mrs. B. F. Smart is ill with lumbago....Mrs. Jas. Malcolm has a serious attack of la grippe....Mr. Paul Smith is on the sick list this week....The Stewards of the A. M. E. church presented 18 pews to the church Monday evening at the official board meeting....The Baptist Church has called Rev. Harris of Gallatin, to the pastorate here....Dr. M. O. Ricketts of St. Joseph, Mo., lectured to the men of the Afro-American club room Tuesday evening and some very essential and valuable points on Masonry were made....Let us all rally to the cause and get in touch with our race in other places. We hope Dr. Ricketts' talk has opened the eyes of those that did not see clearly. We are bound to organize and push on so why not go with the first?

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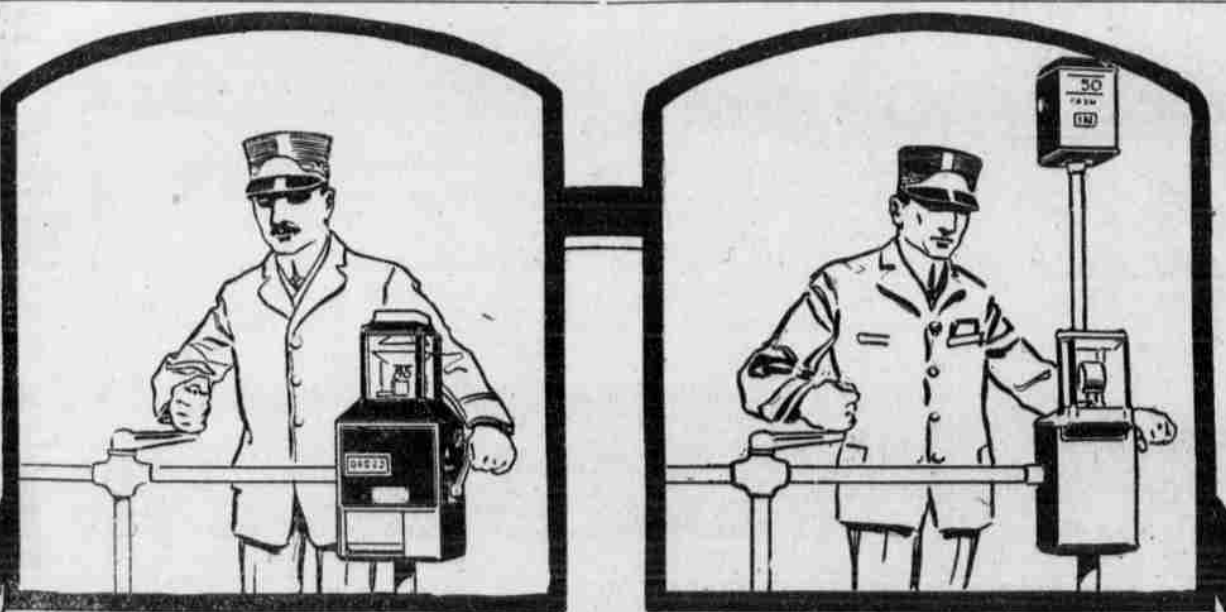
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Transfers and tickets should be handed to the conductor.

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